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Dear Mr. Evans:

Thank you for your letter, which we received on October 10, 2000, regarding the filing of our 1999 Year End Report and our status as a multicandidate political action committee. For your reference, we have enclosed a copy of this letter.

Due to an unintentional software-related error, which was corrected about nine months ago, the software program was automatically defaulting each contribution as a primary contribution. As a result, a \$1,000 contribution issued on July 30 that was slated to be a general contribution to Senator William V. Roth's Senate campaign was inadvertently designated as primary.

Upon receipt of your letter, we have taken immediate corrective action by contacting Senator Roth's campaign office to obtain a refund of this contribution. Attached is a copy of this correspondence.

When we receive a response from Senator Roth's campaign office, the proper curative measures will then be taken, and the appropriate amended reports will be filed in accordance with Federal election law.

I appreciated the guidance you provided, and I hope that this action resolves the matter.

Sincerely,

David A. Lovett
Director
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Enclosures

Cc: Rick Peterson, AAOS General Counsel
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